

AMENDMENT OF THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph beginning at page 25, line 5 to read as follows:

--The fourth rotary pin 83 and third rotary pins 82a, 82b, and the first connection pin 49 and the second rotary pins 48a, 48b are arranged in parallel with each other. When the rotary handle 32 is rotated with respect to the operation section main body 30, the second rotary pins 48a, 48b and the third rotary pins 82a, 82b hold their positions with respect to the insertion section 2. Since it is shifted in position from the second rotary pins 48a, 48b (rotational centers) (see FIG. 21), the first connection pin 49 is moved back and forth in the axial direction of the insertion section 2, and in the up-and-down direction by the rotation of the rotary handle 32 with respect to the operation section main body 30. On the other hand, the fourth rotary pin 83 is shifted in position from the third rotary pins 82a, 82b (rotational centers). Since parallel states are maintained between the fourth rotary pin 83 and the third rotary pins 82a, 82b and between the first connection pin 49 and the second rotary pins 48a, 48b, the fourth rotary pin 83 is moved back and forth in the axial direction of the insertion section 2, and in the up-and-down direction. At this time, the first driving rod 10 and a second driving rod 11 are arranged in parallel with each other. Accordingly, the rotary cover 85 is rotated around the distal end of the insertion section 2. That is, the treatment section 3 is raised with respect to the insertion section 2. Thus, these elements together comprise a rotation mechanism.--